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U.S. Patent Documents

1. U.S. Application Serial No. 10/665,699 filed in the name of Zhang et al. on September 19, 2003 and entitled "Methods and Apparatus for Information Hyperchain Management for On-Demand Business Collaboration."

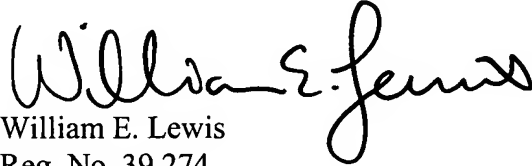
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1. G.L. Fisher et al., "Adding Rule-Based Reasoning to a Demonstrational Interface Builder," Proceedings of UIST'92, pp. 89-97, November 1992.

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